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1. In line with what is apparently a standard Soviet policy to recall USIA officials at the end of a 24 to 30-month period of service in Austria, Osipov, commercial director of USIA's Construction and Building Materials Administration, has returned to Moscow where he will represent this USIA administration in the "Central Construction Trust of the USSR."* One Pitkov who arrived in Vienna [REDACTED] has assumed Osipov's duties at USIA Headquarters in the Trattnerhof building, Vienna I.
2. Kuvshinsky, Soviet director of the USIA-controlled firm "Vertrieb von Baumaterialien", Vienna IV, Argentinierstrasse 26, recently left Vienna on an extended trip to Prague, Dresden and Berlin. Kuvshinsky allegedly will attempt to complete a transaction with Wismut A.G., Soviet-controlled mining firm which is now exploiting the uranium mines along the Czech-German border.
- * [REDACTED] Comment: [REDACTED] does not know the exact name of this trust, but he believes this to be the correct translation.

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